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SILVERWARE THAT SELLS

We always try to have the latest articles and designs in silverware. At present the demand is for CHAFING DISHES. These dishes are made in hard metal and are now being very extensively used. See our stock.

Challoner & Mitchell,
Phone 675 The Jewellers, 47 Government Street.

THE LAST WEEK OF THE GREAT WESTSIDE SALE.

ONLY 5 DAYS.

On account of the unprecedented rush on the opening days, we have decided to continue the sale for the week only, instead of 11 days, as previously announced. The sale so far has been the success of the season, and no effort will be lacking on our part to make the closing days even more attractive for buyers. For full particulars see circulars, or call, and be convinced that this is a genuine bargain sale.

Sale will close Saturday, Feb. 4th.

J. Hutcherson & Co.
The Westside, Jan. 29, 1899.

That Coat

Don't sit. It is like cash compared with long credit. You can't wear men's clothes until you have grown to manhood; neither can you economize and pay long prices.

ASPARAGUS TIPS, 25c.
CREAMERY BUTTER, per lb., 25c.
PAIL JAM (5 lbs.), 50c.
FRENCH PRUNES, per lb., 5c.
EASTERN HERRINGS, per box, 25c.
FINNAN HADDIES, BLOATERS, KIPPERED HERRING, 25c.

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The Furnace of Experience—The goods we sell have been wrought out on the anvil of quality and in the furnace of experience and are the very best that good workmanship and superior materials can manufacture. Any line of hardware we carry, from plows to embroidery scissors, we can recommend as good material, etc.

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CITY "K" BOOTS

Having Soles of Anhydrous Waterproof Leather are the most healthy, comfortable and durable wear for Autumn and Winter. In addition the CITY "K" BOOTS have an exceedingly handsome appearance.

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SHIRT AND CLOTHING MANUFACTURERS.
Full lines of Winter Underwear, Clothing, Top Shirts, Fur Robes and Fur Caps.

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TO LET "SCHUHUM"

The Residence of H. BOSTOCK, Esq., Belcher Avenue. Brick dwelling with all modern conveniences: electric light; heated by hot water etc.; stabling; 3 acres of garden; fine view of straits. Apply 40 GOVERNMENT STREET.

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Will succumb to
LONDON HOSPITAL COUGH CURE
John Cochran,
CHEMIST,
N. W. Corner Yates and Douglas Sts.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BUTTER—Fine Eastern Creamery, 20c. to 25c.; good Dairy, 15c. to 20c.; Cooking Butter, 10c. to 15c. Robert Eccles, Provisioner, City Market.

ARRIVED—Samples 1899 Monarch Bicycles at the "Agency" Olympia Cycles, T. G. Moody, proprietor.

LOST (between Colwood and Victoria)—Chinchilla driving glove. Finder will greatly oblige by leaving same at this office.

SOCIAL DANCE AND SUPPER, Wednesday night, February 1st, at the Dancing Academy, View street. All welcome. Admission (gentlemen) 50 cents.

FOR SALE—Three Klondike dogs. Apply 55 Store street.

FOR SALE—Thirty Labrador sled dogs with harness, at a bargain. Apply Wade & McKenna, 44 Yates street.

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Apply, Colonel Horne, Beacon Hill.

WANTED—A girl as apprentice to tailoring trade. N. Y. & T. Times office.

GIRL WANTED—Age fifteen. Apply 20 Front street, Victoria West.

FOR RENT—A five-roomed cottage. Apply to Mrs. McLennan, Catherine street.

LOST—Irish setter dog, 18 months old and very large. Finder returning same to 57 Fort street will be rewarded.

APPLES, APPLES, APPLES, from 75c. to \$1.00 per box, all in first-class condition; call early to secure same. Sylvester Feed Co., Ltd., City Market. Telephone 413.

UNION BREWERY DEPOT, 150 Government street.

VICTOR BICYCLES—Model 1899 received. Call and see it at the agency, J. Barnsley & Co., 119 Government street.

CLEAN COTTON RAGS WANTED at Times office.

C. M. COOKSON—First-class plumbing, gas, steam and hot water fitting, etc. Broad and Johnson streets. Tel. 67. Jobbing promptly attended to.

COAL AND WOOD—Baker & Colston, wharf and office, Belleville street, James Bay; telephone 467; city office, Swanington & Oddy's, telephone 491.

COAL, \$5.50 PER TON—New Wellington collieries; Kingston & Co., agents; office, 44 Fort street; telephone call 647.

PROP. KAUFFMANN, from Chicago—Piano, violin and mandolin. Room 27, Five Sisters block. Office hours, 2 to 5 p.m. Best references; moderate terms.

REPORTS.
Working Estimates and Superintendence.
JAMES BRADY, M.E.
The Balmoral, Victoria, B.C.
A very desirable Copper Property for sale.

WILLIAM F. BEST
ANALYST AND CHEMIST
(Heidelberg and Leipzig). Late analyst for the Province of New Brunswick. Office, Board of Trade building, Victoria. Office hours, 2 to 5 p.m. Best references; moderate terms.

Balsam of Aniseed
The reliable remedy for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, etc., prepared by
HALL & CO., DISPENSING CHEMISTS.
Clarence Bldg., Yates and Douglas Sts.

COMOX COKE
FOR BASE-BURNERS
Equal to Pennsylvania Anthracite.
HALL, GOEPEL & CO.,
Telephone 83.

To Watchmakers, Jewellers, Etc.

As the firm of Lange & Co., 50 Douglas street, Victoria, B.C., is about retiring from business, they offer at a very low price a large stock of materials (both watchmakers' and jewellers'); also the tools necessary for carrying on and connected with the trade. There are still some Diamonds and Gold and Silver Watches left from the stock, and can be purchased at very low prices.

HAUCTION

Under instructions from Mr. Dwyer, I will sell at his store, corner Fort and Blanchard streets.

To-Morrow, Tuesday, 2 p.m.

A well assorted stock of fresh Groceries, Store and Gas Fittings, Tea and Spice Chests, Cash Register, Counters, Refrigerator, Fine Commission-Safe, Coffee Mill, Counter and Platform Scales, Horse, Harness and Wagon. Terms Cash.
W. JONES, Auctioneer.

DOG FOOD....

Smith's Dog Biscuits for working dogs. There's nothing better. No preparation is needed to feed these biscuits. They keep the dog healthy, and no other food is necessary.

For Sale by all Dealers and M. R. Smith & Co.

THE JOINT COMMISSION.

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—Mr. Joseph Pope, under secretary of state, who came here from Washington last Friday, returned to-day with documents for the Canadian commissioners. It is expected the commissioners will be back next week.

CHANGES HIS NAME.

Englishman Adopts That of His American Father-in-Law.

London, Jan. 30.—It is announced that Queen Victoria has been pleased, at the desire of Mr. Leander J. McCormick, of Chicago, to grant a license for Mr. Frederick E. Goodhardt to assume the name of McCormick. The morning paper of Chicago believes this to be the first occasion upon which a Britisher has added his American wife's maiden name to his own.

Mr. Goodhardt is the Conservative candidate for Devonport.

IN MEMORY OF KING CHARLES.

London, Jan. 30.—The anniversary of the execution of King Charles I., who was beheaded at Whitehall on January 30, 1649, was celebrated to-day by the Le-gionists and Jacobites in London and the provinces. A number of wreaths and floral crosses were deposited at the foot of the Charles I. statue in Whitehall, in the presence of the leading Legitimists and Jacobites, who stood bareheaded during the ceremony. Consistent among the tributes was a shield, surmounted by a crown of immortelles, from the American Jacobites. Attached to it was a white silk ribbon inscribed, "America remembers her martyred King."

DIED ON THE TRANSPORT.

Punta Delgada, Azores Island, Jan. 30.—The Spanish transport, Euxa has arrived here from Cape Verde, and with her on board were Spanish troops on board. Three of the soldiers died on the voyage, and twenty-nine were dangerously ill when she reached this port. The steamer has been subjected to a rigorous quarantine.

"In a few days Messrs. Turner, Hall and McPhillips, the opposition candidates for parliament in British Columbia, will come up for re-election, having gone to the people for a vindication of their broad policy of equality (aliens with Canadians in Canadian gold fields) which represents the voters of that province. . . . The clever attorney-general is leaving no stone unturned to defeat those men who have no sympathy with his original methods of administration. . . . He did become such an one (the great administration apostle of Southwestern Canada) in a limited sense, and it was to strengthen that position that he caused the Alien Exclusion Bill to become a law. He even went so far as to force out of office those reputable men who did not think as he did about discriminating against the people of the United States, resurrecting a law that had been dead thirty years to do it."

Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Jan. 26th, 1899.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MASS MEETING
WILL BE HELD IN
JOHNS BROS. HALL
TO-NIGHT
AT 8 O'CLOCK.

L. P. Duff and Ralph Smith, M.P.F., will address the meeting.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

GRAND RALLY
MASS MEETING
Tuesday, January 31st

—IN—
INSTITUTE HALL
British Columbia for a British People.

ADDRESSES BY
GOVERNMENT CANDIDATES
HON. JOS. MARTIN, M.P.
RALPH SMITH, M.P.
E. V. RODWELL, ESQ.

JUMPED INTO THE SEA.

Atlantic City, N.J., Jan. 30.—Because of continued falling health Mrs. J. Meyers, a wealthy visitor from Pittsburgh, aged about 20, committed suicide by jumping into the ocean from the end of Young's pier about noon to-day.

"To-morrow is the last day but four of the great Westside Bargain Sale."

UNITED STATES DISHONORED

While "Little Americans" Wrangle Over Peace Treaty, Filipinos Inflict Barbarous Punishment on Prisoners.

Sensational Stories of Cruelty to Women and Girls From Manila—Priests Are Starved to Death.

New York, Jan. 30.—The Herald has the following:

Manila, Sunday, Jan. 29.—The Spanish civil prisoners have not yet been released. Tales of suffering, hunger and dishonor come from the provinces. Young Spanish girls are forced to live in open shame with lowborn Indians, their parents being powerless. They appealed to Aguinaldo. His reply was a letter from a dishonored child, exalted after God knows what suffering, saying she is happy and contented. Ladies have suffered dishonor to save their husbands from cruel treatment. Five priests have died in one province from hunger and cruelty, although \$50,000 has been sent by the corporation for their maintenance. They appeal to the American nation in the name of God to stop the tragedy.

A FAMILY DROWNED.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 30.—The loss of an entire family in Lake Erie is reported here. On one of the islands of the Bass group lived a family named Robinson. The family consisted of father, mother, a daughter of 20, a son of five and a hired man named Henry M. Martel.

The little boy died and the parents determined to "take" the body back to Canada, whence they came. A clinker boat was used and the entire family started on the perilous journey. A battered clinker boat has been found in the lake, and a woman reported to have been found recently near Port Burwell, on the Canadian shore, is supposed to be that of Mrs. Robinson. The other bodies have not been found.

ON A BURNING ROOF.

Surrounded by Flames, Ten Chicago Firemen Have to Jump for Their Lives.

Chicago, Jan. 30.—The mahogany yards of Messrs. J. C. Rayner, Morgan & Fulton, and a box factory owned by Mr. F. C. Austin, were burned to-day, causing a loss of \$325,000. The fire was discovered in the lumber yards by the watchman. Fanned by a strong wind the large stock of well-seasoned and valuable lumber was all ablaze before the arrival of the fire engines. The fire spread from the lumber yards to the boarding house owned by Mrs. Smith. The house was destroyed and the twenty-five lodgers were driven into the street with the temperature at zero in their night clothes. Ten of the firemen were on the roof of the Austin box factory when it caught fire. The flames broke through the roof beneath their feet and they were forced to jump to the ground. All of them escaped without any serious injury. A few minutes later the roof fell in. The box factory was totally destroyed. Frank Meyer, a watchman in the Rayner building, was severely injured in jumping from the second story of the building. The stock of lumber, which is a block and a half long, was valued at \$300,000 and is the most valuable lumber in the city.

TO PROTECT THE FORESTS.

Washington, D.C., Jan. 30.—A meeting of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association was held here to-day with a view of directing the attention of the American members of the joint high commission to the present need of a policy being adopted which shall protect American forests, by securing in the treaty now in the course of preparation between the United States and Canada a reversion of the present duty on print paper and pulp from Canada.

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The estate is valued at \$16,000.

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The Waps will hold practice matches on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

BRITAIN MEANS BUSINESS

After a Lot of Bye-Play the French Government Has to Face the Music.

The Question of the Republic's Rights in the Nile Valley Are Now Being Discussed.

Paris, Jan. 30.—The *Figaro* to-day declares that the negotiations between the British and French governments do not concern, as supposed, Newfoundland and Madagascar, but the Bah-el-Ghazal district of the Nile valley.

FRENCH COURT OF CASSATION.

Important Reform Proposed by the Government.

Paris, Jan. 28.—A semi-official note issued this afternoon says an extraordinary meeting of the cabinet has decided that the minister of justice shall submit to the chamber of deputies a bill providing that cases of trial revision are to be brought before the united sections of the court of cassation whenever the criminal section has pronounced upon the admissibility of an application for the revision of previous judgments. The decision of the government is most unfavorable to the revisionists and is a serious reflection upon the criminal court, though its ultimate effect, if the united courts of cassation should favor a revision of the Dreyfus trial, would undoubtedly leave the anti-revisionists no ground for further agitation.

Paris, Jan. 30.—The chamber of deputies to-day by a vote of 346 to 189 adopted the government proposal to submit to the committee entrusted with such matters the bill providing that cases of trial revision shall be brought before the united sections of the court of cassation.

M. Beaurepaire's Charges.

Paris, Jan. 30.—M. Beaurepaire, Beaurepaire, the former president of the civil section of the court of cassation, in an article in the *Echo de Paris* to-day, urges the members of the chamber of deputies not to be satisfied with the reading of the letter of M. Mazan, first president of the court of cassation, on the subject of M. de Beaurepaire's charges, but to insist upon reading the evidence in the case. He asserts that M. Mazan received testimony regarding certain members of the criminal court liable to penalties, and added that he is convinced that the deputies will not allow the inquiry to be stifled, but he continues, if they refuse to act he will do so himself by inducing the witnesses to allow him to publish their evidence.

The Minister of War, M. de Freycinet, has authorized Major Gandellote, of the Republican Guard, to challenge M. Urban Gohier, author of "The Army Against the Nation," which caused a great outcry owing to its severe condemnation of militarism, and which led to a debate in the chamber of deputies. The article is considered insulting to Major Gandellote.

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B. C. Fruit Growers and Horticultural Soc.
ANNUAL MEETING
Will be held in the Agricultural Department, Victoria.
Tuesday and Wednesday Nights, 31 Jan. and 1 Feb.
Beginning at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Paper on Small Fruits, Local Markets, Packing, Marketing, Cultivators, Pests, etc.
Half rates have been secured on the N. & W. Railroad.
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GOVERNMENT CANDIDATES.

LT.-COL. GREGORY,
T. W. PATERSON,
ALEX. STEWART.

HON. JOSEPH MARTIN.

We should like to call the attention of the electors of Victoria at this time to an article which appeared in the Colonist yesterday morning, entitled "Mephistopheles in Power." The writer pretends to deal with the bill to tender vacant on June 30th next all appointments to positions on housing and police boards, but the article is in reality only another of those brutal and shameless attacks upon the personal character of Hon. Joseph Martin, which have for some months back disgusted Victorians. The article in question is an attempt to show that Hon. Mr. Martin is the sworn friend and supporter of gamblers, the liquor interest and those who make their living by violation of the statutes against the social evil. But we must quote from that article to show our readers the hideous nature of the attack upon the private character of the Attorney-General, and ask them to remember that already at Ottawa and throughout Eastern Canada the indignation of Liberals and Conservatives alike, all indeed, who know Mr. Martin, has been inflamed by the ruffianly abuse to which he has been subjected by sundry journalistic and polemical blackguards in British Columbia. Let Victorians, remembering that fact read the following monstrous slander upon a decent man, ask themselves what ought to be done with a writer and a paper that can think and publish such low-minded, filthy traducement. The thoughts are those of a pander and are clothed in the style of a "yellow" reporter:

"Some very good people in this city are warm in their support of Mr. Martin because he is in their opinion the sworn enemy of gambling, the saloon and the social evil. They don't know Mr. Martin. Before they vote as they pray, they would do well to make a few inquiries in regard to Mr. Martin's real attitude towards these things. Then they will see how likely he is to employ any power, which he may secure, for the advancement of the cause of public morality."

"If ever a politician 'stole the liver of Heaven to serve the devil in it,' it is Joseph Martin, when he poses as the enemy of gambling, the saloon and the social evil. This reference to him is of course purely political, not personal. Let those people who believe him to be the champion of purity and virtue find out the facts. That is all any one can ask."

The inference the writer of those infamous passages wished to be drawn from his statements is that Hon. Mr. Martin is a devil, a monster of iniquity, a constant violator of the moral law, a man unfit to associate with respectable people. This is worse than shooting a man from behind a hedge, or sand-bagging him in the dark. The person out of whose low mind these abominable insinuations and vile suggestions sprang had a twinge of fear towards the close and put in that coward's white about "political, not personal." He might as well have done the same in attempting to murder Mr. Martin. In that wretched article, out of the depths of his fiendish mind, he tried to murder Mr. Martin's character. And the character murderer is a more contemptible, because a more cowardly, murderer than he who lets out a man's life. The writer of the lines we have quoted from the Colonist, whoever he is, is a disgrace to British journalism. We regret to use so strong a term, but any term that does not call the thing meant by its plain name is apt to be misunderstood, and in saying to the people of Victoria that the article in the Colonist is absolutely without truth, is a deliberate falsehood from beginning to end, and that its attempt to provoke the inference we have mentioned is nothing short of hellish, we are quite within the lines of justice to the writer of it.

No man who ever entered political life in this province has had poured out against him by opponents so much unmitigated blackguardism, so much gross falsehood and misrepresentation, or so much of the noisome vocabulary of hatred, rage and spiteful envy as have been launched at Hon. Joseph Martin. He has been the shining mark at which every newspaper and every politician opposed to him has levelled epithets and charges that make one blush for the reputation of our press and public men. Strangers who judge us as they find us will generalize—they cannot help it—and lump all in the common condemnation that our newspapers are sowers through which trickle coarse and vulgar personalities, vile attacks upon private character and grossly distorted statements of fact, that our public men are no better than a gang of foul-mouthed cowboys, who know as little of the amenities of civilized life, the courtesies of debate and the dignity to be expected from men in their position, as a tribe of Digger Indians. Such is the impression strangers are apt to carry away after reading such articles as appeared in the Colonist yesterday morning, and hearing some of the speakers who damify Mr. Martin on the public platform—members of the British Columbia government straining their throats to hurl vicious aspersions upon and blacken the character of a man whose shoe-leaves they are not fit to tie. We cannot help it if strangers do leave the province with such opinions of us. The opposition

their press and supporters have themselves to blame for it. The lickisher gusto with which the Colonist has opened wide its columns, editorial and local, to defamation of Mr. Martin's character is without parallel, thank God, in the annals of British Columbia journalism. In those prostituted columns he has been likened to a "skunk," a "weasel," a "tramp," an "outcast," a "pirate," a "desperado," a "renegade," a "bully," a "thug," a "thief," "Mephistopheles" (the devil), almost a murderer—and why? Now we come to the point. Why do the opposition rage and the Colonist imagine a vain thing? Because they fear and envy him.

They fear him because his keen mind has grasped in fullest details all the shams, the petty fraud, the mean dodging and the deceit which the Turner government for fifteen years back have used to the detriment of this province. They fear him because they know that he has the determination to place this province on a sound footing; an operation which may necessitate the turning on of a flood of light upon the doings of the Turner government during the period mentioned. The general public have no idea how very bad was the state things left by the Turner ministry; if they did know it would scarcely be safe for the present opposition candidates to show themselves on any platform in this city. The public may yet be informed on that subject—the session is not over. The opponents of Mr. Martin envy him because he has a gift of nature not one of them can lay claim to having the like of, namely, brains. He has splendid executive talents; his abilities are so far above those of his detractors that one cannot laugh at the poor chaps for plying them. There is the whole secret of the opposition's spite against Mr. Martin—fear and envy. Men actuated by those feelings are seldom particular in the truth or justice of their criticisms of the object of their dread. Mr. Martin and his colleagues will rescue British Columbia from bankruptcy and degradation in spite of the Turner party's attempts to bring those things about, and in spite of their scurrilous abuse of Mr. Martin.

HOW THE MONEY GOES.

A glance through the public accounts for the year ending 30th June, 1898, which have just been published, would convince the strongest supporters of the late Turner government that it was ejected from office none too soon for the welfare of British Columbia. The most reckless extravagance is to be found on almost every page. One would suppose from the way the money has been squandered that there was a surplus revenue for which no useful purpose could be found instead of a deficit of nearly two thousand dollars a day.

As an example we call attention to some of the items of the contingent fund relating to legislation:

In 1898 the amount expended for contingencies was \$2,461.

In 1898 it was more than double, namely, \$5,423.

The Colonist heads the list of payments with \$1,050.50 for invitation cards for the opening of the parliament buildings. We think hundreds of better purposes for the expenditure of over \$1,000 could be found all over British Columbia, than for admission cards for a half-hour performance.

With no desire to advocate cheapening economies we must in the interest of the taxpayers object to the excessive waste of money upon the legislative lunch room. It is not a hundred dollars a year ago that a few hundred dollars sufficed for this purpose. For 1898 it cost over \$3,500. This is more than a dollar a lunch, supposing every member attended daily, which of course is not the case. The original legislative lunch-room was a moderate and sensible affair. It originated from the fact that sometimes about half the members were engaged on committees during the morning, which left them but little time to come to town for lunch and return to the house in time for prayers at 2:30. To meet the physical and spiritual desires of members, tea, coffee and a few accompaniments were supplied by the government. Like everything else under the Turner ministry it has developed into extravagance and an abuse, the magnitude of which is apparent in the items of expenditure. Besides \$750 for groceries and provisions, we notice over \$1,000 for meats, poultry, fish and fruit. A steward is employed at \$80 a month, a cook at \$75, an assistant cook at \$40, one waiter at \$50 and two more at \$40 each. There is also a tailor's bill of \$42.50 for uniforms for the waiters. The brilliant organizer of the idea of putting the waiters in uniform was, we understand, the gallant Colonel Baker, the leader of the demagogical opposition.

MR. TURNER'S SALE OF SEWER PIPE TO THE GOVERNMENT.

Mr. Turner in his Saturday night's speech, as reported in the Colonist, makes an attempt to explain away the fact that his firm at the time he was premier sold thousands of dollars' worth of sewer pipe to the province. It is certainly the latest and most prevaricating statement we have ever read. The reasons given for Turner, Beeton & Co. executing the order are that "Mr. Thomson, manager of Turner, Beeton & Co.'s Nelson house had made a special study of the freighting business (other wholesale houses understand freighting as well as Mr. T.) that the pipes were wanted in a hurry and that Turner, Beeton & Co. were anxious to assist the city of Nelson." Pure philanthropy he claims to have been the reason why he became involved in this illegal transaction. To us it appears that it would have been more honorable if he had admitted that the health officer had appointed three the business into his firm's hands. The yarn about the responsibility his partner took in advancing the freight charges is amusing. The province was charged with the pipes and the freight and the public accounts show Mr. Turner's partner was paid both. Why the provincial government paid for pipes for the city of Nelson is not clear to us. It certainly does not pay for sewer pipes for the

city of Victoria, Vancouver, Nanaimo and New Westminster. The plea of urgency will not stand investigation. Mr. Turner said the pipe had to be rushed in order to be received before the advent of winter, that is a year ago. We have been credibly informed that a large quantity of these pipes have not been used at all; that they are now stacked up at Nelson. Mr. Turner has made already two explanations at different public meetings. At the first he said they were all from the Pottery and Terra Cotta Company. Had they been sent by this company to the province they would have been paid for by the government to the company, not to Mr. Kirke, the partner of Mr. Turner. At the Saturday meeting Mr. Turner contradicted his first statement and said \$650 worth of pipe was from the Doulton Company. This is an English company, and we believe Turner, Beeton & Co. sell the Doulton pipes. We ask Mr. Turner if his firm did not supply the \$650 of Doulton pipe, and we hope he will be manly enough to answer, frankly. If we are correct in our belief we have no hesitation in saying that when he stated \$650 worth of pipe was got from the Doulton Company, he was guilty of attempting to hide from the electors the fact that the Doulton pipes were supplied by Turner, Beeton & Co.

THE ELECTORS' CATECHISM.

Who prevented the settlement of the Songhees Reserve affair?
The Turner government.
Did they insist Mr. McKenna, the Dominion government agent, who was here about it?
Rather. They did everything but call him a liar and a horse-thief.
Is that considered good government policy here?
Go on.
Who was finance minister of British Columbia when the Dominion government put \$10,500 on their estimates to mend a river bank at Revelstoke and he didn't know it till somebody told him, months after?
Mr. J. H. Turner.
Of course he felt so badly broken up over it he quit politics forever?
Nary a quit.
What! Is he still in it?
He's a candidate for Victoria city this day.

Not.
Who spent thousands of this province's good money on a trip to London that wasn't needed?
David Macewan Elerts, ex-attorney-general.
Do the taxpayers love David?
Do they love—?
Who paid for the champagne Premier Turner set up for the members as a farewell drink and Turner, Beeton & Co. got \$29 for it?

The taxpayers.
Was that a violation of the Independence of Parliament Act?
It was worse than that.
What do you mean?
It was a mean, stinky dodge.
Would Sir John Gorst have swallowed that turtle soup and those Olympia oysters. Col. Baker invited him to the in the Driad, had he known the people would have to pay for them?
Bet not.

Why didn't the Colonel pay for his own luncheon, anyway?
On the make, I guess; like his colleagues in the cabinet.
They looked upon the province, then, as a — a — ?
Cabinet pudding.

What do you think of Colonel Baker, anyway?
He is the greatest authority on waiters' uniforms this world ever saw.
He believes in feeding the members well?

Yes; every member would have a nickel-plated soup-plate connecting his desk with the kitchen coppers if the Colonel could have his way.
Great on soup, the Colonel, eh?
He and his party are right in it.
What mean you?
They're in the soup.

WORSE THAN A KENTUCKY TREAT.

Mr. Turner objects to citizens poking their noses into the public accounts. It seems to consider it a reflection upon himself when finance minister and premier, and we do not wonder at it.
What do electors think of this item, which appears in the public accounts for 1896, page 39: Legislative luncheon room—Turner, Beeton & Co. refreshments for members at close of session, \$29?
From a member who enjoyed the Premier's hospitality we learned that at the close of the session that generous gentleman invited a number of the members into a private room to polish off a number of bottles of champagne, which they did, supposing the Premier was standing treat. Much to the surprise and disgust they discovered afterwards that Mr. Turner had put in a bill for \$29 for it and paid himself for it out of the public funds.

Mr. Turner is posing as the champion of the constitution just now, as he has a constitutional objection to being turned out of office and losing the large salary and extras attached thereto. We think the taxpayers have a grievance as well as Mr. Turner; when part of their earnings which they can ill spare are spent in champagne instead of for public purposes.

We consider this champagne incident as bad as that of Colonel Baker's, who is now leader of the opposition. When Sir John Gorst was here on a visit the hospitable Colonel invited him to lunch at the Driad. An ordinary person with a salary of \$4,000 a year from the province would have been pleased to have the opportunity of showing a little attention to a distinguished visitor at such a small outlay as between \$3 and \$4. Colonel Baker is evidently not an ordinary person for he charged the province for both Sir John Gorst's lunch and his own. We wonder what Sir John Gorst would think of Colonel Baker if he chanced to see this lunch item in our provincial expenditure?

There is another item of expenditure.

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AN AYLMER CASE.

Mrs. C. H. Burdick of that Place Resorted to Health After Ailing for Three Years.

Her Friends all want to know how it came about, so she tells the story of her cure.

The little life savers have been doing good work in Aylmer, Ont., lately. They've been curing many people of that town who have tried all sorts of remedies for years without obtaining any relief.

One of these is Mrs. C. H. Burdick. She was troubled for several years with heart weakness, smothering feeling, sleeplessness and nervousness. Now she's enjoying the best of health. When asked what brought about the change she told the following story:

"For three years I had been ailing with fluttering of the heart, shortness of breath and smothering at night. I was often very dizzy, and my eyesight became obscure. At times I found it difficult to remember passing events, and I was troubled greatly with sleeplessness and a general condition of nervous prostration, being easily startled, weak and listless. Last September I commenced taking Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, which I got at Richard's Drug Store. They did me so much good that I bought a second box. The effect of the two boxes has been remarkable. All my heart troubles are removed, the shortness of breath and nervousness have disappeared and healthful restful sleep has been restored by their wonderful tonic action and my appetite has also returned. In fact, they have made me as well and strong as I ever was in my life."

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besides the \$29 in the 1896 public accounts, in which Mr. Turner stands out in unenviable prominence. It is for \$1,872.36, which is quite a respectable sum. This is how it appears in vote 112, page 90:

Hon. J. H. Turner, travelling allowance (mission to London), 139 days at \$10; fares to London and return, \$284; cab hire, portage, telegrams, etc., \$88.36; total, \$1,872.36.

In our opinion this is a monstrous overcharge. Mr. Turner during this time at \$5,000 a year, or about \$18 per day. To draw another \$10 a day, making in all \$28 a day, is to our mind very much like extortion. As ministers all get free passes over the transcontinental railroads why should Mr. Turner stick the province for \$304 fares to London and return?

In re the government grounds, about which our mourning contemporary makes so much moan, we want to ask the Colonist what it means by this expression: "If the late government had remained in power the grounds would have been put in first-class shape."

What is a first-class shape? Is it rectangular, quadrangular or "strictly on the square"? Is it rhomboidal, conchoidal, isosceles or equilateral? Is it flat, round, conical, wavy, straight or well, what is it anyway?

"To-morrow is the last day but four of the great Westside Bargain Sale."

How to Mark Your Ballot

GREGORY, F. B. X
HALI, R.
McPHILLIPS, A. E.
PATERSON, T. W. X
STEWART, ALEX. X
TURNER, J. H.

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PERSONAL.

R. A. James, of "Prisco, is at the Victoria Hotel, of Ontario, is a guest at the Driad.
G. H. Godfrey, of Seattle, is at the Driad.
W. H. Handley, of Skagway, is at the Driad.
H. S. Ashwell, of Dawson, is at the Driad.
J. S. Latimer, of Seattle, is at the Driad.
Joseph Potter, of Nanaimo, is at the Driad.
G. Brown, of Alberni, is at the New England.
Joseph Wark, of Surrey Centre, is at the Driad.
J. Hume, of Lake Bennett, is staying at the Driad.
D. S. Johnston, of Winnipeg, is staying at the Driad.
P. Burns, of Nelson, registered last night at the Driad.
Mr. Masuda, of Tokyo, Japan, is staying at the Driad.
J. E. Eden, of Vancouver, is staying at the Driad.
W. J. Jones, ex-M.P.P. for Vancouver, is at the Driad.
W. H. Higgins, of Chemainus, is staying at the Driad.
S. C. Stinson, of Winnipeg, is a guest at the Driad.
G. Barber, of Vancouver, is staying at the Driad.
Dr. and Mrs. Young, of Sandon, are guests at the Driad.
G. H. Hayes, of Hayes's Landing, is a guest at the Driad.
S. D. Nesbitt, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Driad.
J. C. Chapman, of Vancouver, is staying at the Driad.
H. H. Bradburn, of Vancouver, is staying at the Driad.
T. A. Eaton, of Sydney, Australia, is a guest at the Driad.
John Lee, of Nanaimo, registered last night at the Driad.
E. E. Drake, of Vancouver, registered last night at the Driad.
P. T. Prowse, of New Westminster, is a guest at the Driad.
Otto H. Partridge, of Lake Bennett, is a guest at the Driad.
A. De Cote, of Vancouver, registered last night at the Driad.
D. A. Stephenson, of Portland, Oregon, is a guest at the Driad.
Mrs. and Miss French, of Sydney, Australia, are at the Driad.
Captain J. Bransford, of Port Townsend, is a guest at the Driad.
G. E. Jones was a passenger from Vancouver on yesterday's Chatter.
Fred. A. Goldsmith, from Skagway, registered last evening at the Driad.
Mr. Carnody was a passenger on the Chatter from Vancouver yesterday.
Capt. Carro, of Seattle, formerly master of the steamer Queen, is in the city.
Lieut. Col. Haggart, a brother of Rider Haggart, the novelist, is at the Driad.
Max Lester was among the homebound Victorians on yesterday's Chatter.
Hon. Justice Irving was a passenger from Vancouver on the Chatter Saturday evening.

Hon. Joseph Martin returned on Saturday night from a visit to the Terminal City.

G. Gerhard Tarks returned last evening from a professional visit to the provincial mainland.

Col. Prior, M.P., was among the homebound passengers from Vancouver on Saturday's Chatter.

A. E. I. Sola and wife leave by the Kingston this evening for England. They will sail from New York on February 8th, by the S.S. Teutonic.

Major A. B. Perry, of the Northwest Mounted Police, in company with Geo. H. Hutchinson, one of his officers, are guests at the Driad.

Messrs. Holman, M.P.P., R. Macpherson, M.P.P., A. Henderson, M.P.P., Thos. Kidd, M.P.P., R. McBride, M.P.P., and C. E. Tait, M.P.P., were passengers from the Terminal City last night to resume their legislative duties.

La Grippe and Pneumonia

The Form is Cured, the Latter Prevented by Dr. Chase's Great Twin Remedies.

A glance at the newspapers is sufficient to arouse alarm at the unusual number of deaths from pneumonia, and in almost every case the illness began with la grippe.

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H. S. ODDY, Secretary.

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GENERALLY FAIR.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Jan. 30, 5 a.m.—The barometer remains abnormally high off Vancouver Island, while to the eastward of the Rockies a vast high area covers the Territories, accompanied by cold weather; the minimum temperatures ranging from 22 below at Winnipeg to 30 below at Calgary. It is expected this area will spread westward and cause a continuance of fair weather in this province, with light easterly winds and the winds moderate to fresh along the entire coast from California westward to Alaska.

Nanaimo—Wind, W.; weather, fair.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.11; temperature, 44; minimum, 42; wind, W., 11 miles; weather, cloudy.

Outer Harbor—Wind, S.W.; weather, rainy.

Vancouver—Temperature, 41; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Temperature, 44; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, 38; minimum, 32; wind, S.W., 4 miles; weather, cloudy.

Esquimalt—Barometer, 30.09; temperature, 38; minimum, 32; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Nash, Wash.—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, 44; minimum, 41; wind, W., 12 miles; rain, 1.5; weather, cloudy.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, 46; minimum, 44; wind, S., 12 miles; weather, cloudy.

Tacoma, Wash.—Barometer, 30.16; temperature, 46; minimum, 40; wind, S.W., 8 miles; rain, trace; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, 52; minimum, 52; wind, W., 4 miles; weather, clear.

Ferocis.

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Victoria and Vicinity—Moderate to fresh westerly winds; generally fair weather.

Outer Harbor—Moderate to fresh winds; partly fair weather.

City News in Brief.

—Drink Blue Ribbon Tea.

The "Rose Maiden," Feb. 1st.

—Many articles suitable for miners cheap for cash at R. A. Brown & Co.'s 60 Douglas street.

—Millinery and jackets greatly below cost for the next three days at the Sterling, 88 Yates street.

Deep sympathy is being expressed with Mr. C. H. Gibbons, city editor of the Colonist, and Mrs. Gibbons, in the bereavement of their daughter Edith. The little girl was a great favorite with all who knew her, and her loss is a great grief to her parents. For some days Edith had been suffering much pain and this morning succumbed to the illness in spite of everything being done to avert the sad end.

—One of the big hits in last season's repertoire of Black Patti's Troubadours was the merry musical skit "At Jolly Coney Island," which is also retained for this season. The very popular and humorous musical farce has been rewritten by Ernest Hagan, who has introduced all new songs and situations strictly in keeping with the suggestions of its title. It is one of the brightest gems of real comedy probably ever offered on the American stage, and a capital vehicle for the display of the remarkable talents of this equally remarkable versatile company.

The Grand Opera Company repeated their immense success in Vancouver, playing to a packed house every evening last week, and playing there again to-night. To-morrow they return to Victoria for two nights, producing the pretty opera "Olivette," the famous "Lionel" and "Kentucky Babe." On Wednesday evening a very big bill is promised. There will first of all be the fourth act of "Marta," followed by the sextette from "Lilia," and then the whole of the opera "Fra Diavolo." There will be a crowded house each evening for the advance sale of seats, which commenced this morning, is a very large one.

Pessimists have been heard to say that no amateur opera company will be successful in the attempt to equal the success secured by the "Geisha," and indeed it would seem that the task would be a difficult one, but there is every indication now that it is going to be done and that by a company under the same direction as the one which charmed Victorians so much with that presentation of Japanese life, "The Pearl of Peking," one of the most pleasing operas ever produced, teeming with everything pertaining to Chinese life and customs, accompanied by Chinese music, and abounding in Chinese scenery, will be a treat such as Victorians have rarely enjoyed. The "Pearl" will be played by Miss Maude Goodwin, and affords that capable role which is the scope for her ability as did the part of "O Mimosas." Miss George Cooper has part admirably adapted to her vivacious nature and Fred Cooper will blossom out as a negro. There is a dancing class composed of Miss E. Dwyer, Mrs. F. B. Williams, Miss Pauline, Miss W. B. Williams, Miss S. McNeil, Miss Lottie Baker, Miss M. McNeil, Miss Dorothy Schell, Miss Stewart and Miss Yates, and they have acquired wonderful proficiency in their work. The "Chin-Chin" girls and the "Thopetick" girls will be distinctly good, and those who have had the privilege of attending the recent rehearsals are authorities for the statement that the "Pearl" when it is presented for public approval, will achieve an instant and an overwhelming success.

—Lawn mowers and garden tools in variety at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

—"Tolant" was rehearsed very successfully in the Sir William Wallace Hall on Saturday evening.

—A full rehearsal of "Robin Hood" will take place at the usual hour to-morrow evening in Waitt's Hall.

—A petition is being circulated in the city for signature asking the council to reverse their decision and to reinstate E. A. Wilmot, the late city engineer.

—Don't forget that Wednesday, February 28th, is the date of Miss Trotter's grand recital. Shakespeare, Kipling, Bulwer-Lytton furnish several of her numbers.

—Provincial Constable Murray escorted the Indian Dowse to the Nanaimo jail on Saturday afternoon last. Dowse is committed for trial at the next general sessions to be held at Nanaimo.

—The funeral of Catherine R. Merton took place from her residence, Russell street, yesterday. The Rev. J. P. Knox officiated at the grave. The funeral arrangements were carried out by W. J. Hanna.

—The regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council will be held this week on Tuesday evening instead of on Wednesday, on account of political gatherings interfering with the regular nights of meeting.

—A Winnipeg man who arrived in the city on Saturday night, and who celebrated the event by indulging in the flowing bowl, was the only occupant of the police court dock this morning. He was fined the usual amount, \$2.50.

—Big Clearance Sale, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday at the Sterling, 88 Yates street.

—A meeting of the members of the official boards of the Methodist churches in the city will be held to-night at 8 o'clock in the school room of the Metropolitan church for the purpose of founding a Methodist Council and the adoption of a constitution and by-laws.

—At eight o'clock this evening a final rehearsal of "The Rose Maiden" will be held in the Institute Hall. Those having already purchased tickets are privileged to attend. Tickets may be obtained at Mr. Leimberg's store and seats reserved on payment of 25 cents.

—On Saturday at Fort McLeod, N.W.T., Charles E. Woods, P. P. 4, S., formerly a resident of New Westminster, died from mountain fever. Mr. Woods was a son of Yon Archibald Woods, and brother of Mr. E. M. N. Woods, the New Westminster barrister. He was a native of London, Eng.

—A gentleman's concert was held in the Temperance Hall on Saturday evening. There was a good attendance, and the programme was up to expectation. The contributors were Messrs. Barton, Firth, Cave, Goodwin, Munroe, Hicks, Huxtable, Richardson, Pilling, Longfield, sr., Longfield, jr., and Brown.

—For the next three days Dress Goods at your own prices at the Sterling, 88 Yates street.

—The minstrel troupe from H. M. S. Sparrowhawk gave a splendid entertainment in the Blue Ribbon Hall on Saturday evening, when the hall was crowded. Rear Admiral H. St. B. Palliser favored it with his presence. A lengthy programme of songs and instrumental music was rendered, and the proceedings closed with the comic opera, "The Blind Beggar."

—Victorians, or at least all musical Victorians, will be sorry to learn that Mr. Sydney St. Morse, the Orient Theatre, is likely to leave the city shortly. Before his departure a farewell benefit performance will be given, of which due notice will appear. As this will probably be the last opportunity residents of the city will have of hearing Mr. Morse, it is likely that it will be availed of very largely.

—Last week and this will be notable ones among agriculturists on account of the number of meetings of an agricultural character which have been or are about to be held. Last week the Dairy-men's Association met at Lader's. To-morrow the Horticultural Society will hold their annual meeting. While Friday and Saturday the convention for forming a Central Farmers' Institute will assemble. On Thursday the Horticultural Board, consisting of Messrs. St. Morse, including the Minister and Deputy Minister of Agriculture, will hold their meeting.

—Those who attended Saturday night's band concert were regaled with a fine musical treat, Bandmaster Finn having some of the latest music on hand. Amongst the many gems were two characteristic pieces, one by Puerer, descriptive of an Irish wedding, and the other, Robinson's "Maiden's Caprice," a very dainty movement. The famous overture from Suppe's "Poet and Peasant" was discoursed, and Wabstien's Spanish waltz, "España," the latest of Changamora's "Rocovior's" latest march, "The Chilcot," completed the programme.

THE NOMINATIONS.

List of Candidates, their Nominators and Agents.

There were only a few spectators at the city market today at noon when the big clock in the hall was striking twelve, the deputy sheriff, H. Siddall, made the necessary proclamations in regard to next Thursday's election. The list of candidates and their nominators is as follows:

Francis Brooke Gregory, barrister-at-law, was proposed by A. L. Belyea and seconded by Dr. Lewis Hall. The other signatories are Wm. Templeman, George Riley, Dennis Harris, A. G. McCandless, M. C. Wren, Geo. Powell, W. J. Penney and J. G. Brown. J. H. Lawson, Jr., agent.

Richard Hall, proposed by Thos. H. Hall, seconded by W. Grant. Those assenting to the candidature are H. M. Grahame, E. B. Marvin, W. J. Smith, L. Goodacre, J. Muirhead, J. Kinsman, agent.

A. Stewart, proposed by Daniel Cartmel, seconded by J. Perry, and supported by Bell, R. Swinerton, Wm. McNeil, J. B. Lovell, Angus McNeil, C. A. Holland, W. T. Hardaker and C. E. Remont, agent.

T. W. Patterson, proposed by C. E. Remont, seconded by Thos. Tubman; supporters, R. L. Drury, T. H. Trahey, J. Taylor, J. T. McIlroy, H. A. Munro, J. Nicholles, and Samuel Roundidge, agent.

A. E. McPhillips, proposed by D. H. Kerr, seconded by A. Graham. The other signatories are H. McDonald, J. H. Brown, M. McTernan, P. Cove and L. W. Rogers, agent.

John Herbert Turner, merchant, moved by D. Spencer, seconded by W. A. Robertson. The paper is also signed by Robt. Letice, B. Seabrooke, Geo. S. Russell and Jos. Somers. His financial agent is Rich. S. Byrne.

Along the Waterfront.

A matter which is being discussed among shipping men at present is the compulsory pilotage bill now before the United States Congress. It is practically the same bill as was defeated last year. It provides that pilots shall be regularly examined and licensed on the Sound; shall keep a pilot boat off the straits. It provides that the pilot shall collect \$1 per hour and five cents per register net tonnage draft for bringing a vessel from outside Cape Flattery to Port Townsend or other Sound port. For bringing a vessel from a British Columbia port to the Sound the pilot is to receive \$2 per foot draft and one cent per register net tonnage. A provision in the bill specifies that no one save a regularly licensed pilot shall bring a boat in, and although the master may be able to navigate the Sound waters, he cannot act as his own pilot unless he holds a license. When a vessel is high and refuses to take a pilot, one-half the regular charges are to be paid pilots.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 30.—Steamer Seattle has returned from Lynn canal, having broken all previous records. She made the trip to Skagway and return in six days seventeen hours and thirty minutes. Joe Barrett wagered \$1,000 with Richard Butler, a rich mine operator of the Klondike, that the steamer could not make the trip to Skagway in four days. She made the trip in 70 hours and 25 minutes.

R.M.S. Empress of Japan will sail for the Orient early to-morrow morning. She has been delayed for several hours, owing to the train being late. Among the passengers booked for the Empress are Col. Haggard, a brother of Rider Haggard, the novelist, who is going to Yokohama. A. Jones goes to Hongkong and Lester Jones and H. Maimin to the Japanese port.

Capt. E. E. Caine, of Seattle, is at Tacoma with his tug Walloes making soundings around the sunken ship Andana with a view of ascertaining the condition of the vessel so he might bid on raising her. He found twenty-eight fathoms of water on the ship, and thirty-three fathoms on the bottom where the ship lies.

Several sealing schooners will leave in a few days for the coast on a sealing cruise. The Penelope, Capt. D. G. Macaulay, has cleared and the Oceanic, Capt. Umbrina, are being made ready. Capt. Lavender is to command the Ocean Belle.

The wages of the sailors of the coast have been reduced from \$40 to \$30, and for deep-sea voyages from \$25 to \$20. The Coast Sailors' Union and the San Francisco Ship Owners' Association have been discussing the matter for some time.

Steamer Walla Walla arrived from San Francisco on Saturday evening. She had 92 passengers, 17 for Victoria, and 43 tons of freight for this port. Steamer Queen sailed for the Golden Gate last night.

Steamer Princess Louise left New Westminster at 1:15 p.m. She did not connect with the train; which will be about eight hours late.

Tug Cedar towed the bark Fantasi to the Sound this afternoon. She will load lumber at Port Blakey for Buenos Ayres.

Steamer Joan is here to be overhauled. The Thistle will take her place on the Vancouver-Nanaimo route.

Steamer Cottage City will sail for Alaska ports to-morrow and the Tees on Wednesday.

Steamer Amur will sail for Skagway and way ports at midnight to-morrow.

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AT JOHN'S BROS. HALL.

The electors of the North Ward—attending the meeting of the North Ridge and Victoria West—will have an opportunity to-night for the first time of hearing the government candidates in their own district. John Bros. hall, if the electors of the North Ridge and Victoria West residents in the other sections, ought to be packed to-night to hear the public questions which are just now of so much interest.

In addition to the three government candidates, Messrs. Gregory, Patterson and Stewart, the audience will have the opportunity of hearing Mr. L. P. Jones, the labor sector, Ralph Smith, M. P. P. As the campaign approaches a close, interest seems to deepen in the result, and this feature will doubtless be evident in to-morrow's meeting. Electors, irrespective of their political predilections, are invited to be present.

—To-morrow is the last day but four of the great Westside Bargain Sale.

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A TRIP THAT FAILED

A Roseland Man Loses Considerable Cash in an Attempt to Enter the "Protest"—How He Was Duped.

Two California Sharpers Pluck Him of His Gold—The Company Were Obligated to Walk the Ties.

A. H. McKay, a Roseland man, who took considerable money out of the pockets of that district, and who yearned to sit from stand to stand—mostly one right stands—along the frosty dramatic way, has had an experience which will probably dampen his dramatic aspirations. Speaking of McKay's troubles the San Francisco Examiner says: "Early in December last the mining man blew in from British Columbia with a long tale to become an angel. He met Henri Haggard, a brother of Rider Haggard, the novelist, who is going to Yokohama. A. Jones goes to Hongkong and Lester Jones and H. Maimin to the Japanese port."

Five days before Mr. McKay's mammoth engagement at the Victoria City Theatre, he was dropped out of a drama before taking to the road. Being new at the angel business Mr. McKay thought this was the proper thing to do. Wheeler and Stuart went along with the show as managers at \$40 per week, also in advance.

With the remnant of his amateur's wheel formed another show and got as far as Woodland, where "My Neighbor's Wife" was the attraction. The show was dropped after the last three days ago stated that Wheeler had gone back to Willows to re-invent a new attraction. McKay returned to San Francisco immediately after the first explosion, and Henri Haggard also thought his old-time haunts. It is said that the versatile Henri has finished a new angel at San Jose and will bring him on in a few days. McKay is awaiting the return of Wheeler before bringing action against his late managers. McKay's story is that Wheeler and Stuart went east for a 25-cent play called "My Neighbor's Wife" and presented him with an alleged order for royalty, which he paid. The drama is known as a "book play" and does not call for royalty. Hence there lurks in the mind of McKay the suspicion that he has been imposed upon.

CHANGE FOR FIRE FIGHTERS.

A Redistribution of the Brigade Force and Appliances.

At a recent meeting of the city council a resolution was passed to submit a bill to the people authorizing the use of the market building on Fisgard street for the purposes of a fire hall. Notice of the introduction of such motion has been made by Ald. Stewart, the chairman of the Fire Wardens, and to-night it will be submitted to the council. This step is rendered necessary by the fact that when the by-law was submitted to the people it was specified that the building was for market purposes. Such being the case the employment of it in any other way will have to be authorized by the people. The market building was erected in 1892 at a cost of \$55,000, exclusive of the cost of the site, which was almost as much, and it has never been a profitable investment. The stalls, only rent for about \$10 a month, while all of these even are not taken.

Pending the passage of the by-law, a redistribution of the brigade force and appliances.

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\$200 on the city, the council have been obliged to make provision in the estimates for the payment of rent for the Yates street fire hall, which they will in all probability not be able to vacate for three months yet. Although the property was purchased by Mr. Richardson nearly a year ago, the litigation which followed prevented the council from making the transfer. The close of the suit and the decision in favor of the city enabled them to do this a short time ago, and the deeds being in the purchaser's possession, a rental of \$50 a month will have to be paid until the market building is put in shape to receive the apparatus.
When the requisite accommodation is provided in the upper portion of the market building, not only will the apparatus in the Yates street hall be removed thither, but some of the fire fighting appliances from the main station will be transferred there, and the sleeping apartments of the brigade may be transferred also. When the Camosen street hall is built the chemical and a quantity of hose will be kept there.

THE NEW PASTOR.
Rev. Fred. Payne Preaches at the Congregational Church Yesterday.
Rev. Fred. Payne, the new pastor of the First Congregational Church in this city, made his first appearance in that capacity on Sunday, when he spoke to large congregations in the Pandora street church. Mr. Payne is still a young man, and has just completed a course at Chesham College, in London, England. Before entering the college he was a member of Rev. Morlins Jones's congregation; one of the largest Congregational congregations in the world. Mr. Payne is still in his twenties, unmarried.
His subjects yesterday were "The Unsearchable Gift" in the morning, and "Joy" in the evening. Both discourses were of a high order, and were treated in a manner to at once give the youthful preacher his place among the pulpit orators of the city.
On Friday evening a reception social will be given by the congregation to the pastor, at which the pastors of the city will be invited to be present, and some of them will deliver addresses. The mayor will be invited to be present and to extend a welcome on behalf of the city.
Refreshments will be served and the chair will be occupied by Mr. George Carter, late secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

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Mines and Mining.

Many Nevada has let a contract for the driving of 50 feet of tunnel on the Princess claim. The Princess is about four miles from Nelson on the Hall Mines wagon road, and is about two miles distant from the California Road. The Princess is expected in a few days. During the month the company's 10-stamp mill has been kept steadily running on which those connected with the property say will average \$50 to the ton. As the stamps have a capacity of from 2 to 2½ tons each per day, the value of the clean-up from the month's milling should represent a good round figure.

Deals at Rossland.

Within the year that has just passed, outside capitalists have invested \$7,000,000 in Rossland mining properties. The two biggest buyers were the British America Corporation and Messrs. Goodrich and Blackett. The total investments of the B.A.C. up to the present time amount to \$5,000,000. Of this, the largest sum was the purchase of the Le Roi. That deal represented an outlay of \$1,500,000. The 204,000 shares which were bought from the Turner factory at \$7.25 per share. In addition the former owners of the stock will receive a further sum of about \$1 per share on account of the ore. The matter outstanding when the sale was made. The total receipts, therefore, by Senator Turner and his colleagues are \$1,083,000. The remaining 209,000 shares in the old Le Roi company were bought by the British America Corporation at the rate of \$6 per share, or \$1,254,000. The amount that has been spent on the property since it has been in the control of the B.A.C. is about \$100,000. The next largest deal was the purchase by the Goodrich-Blackett syndicate of the Centre Star, for \$2,000,000. Already the B.A.C. has opened the mine, and they will spend perhaps \$175,000 more on it during the coming year before placing the stock in the market. The purchase of the Columbia-Kootenay by the B.A.C. was the next largest deal put through during the year. For that big property the corporation paid \$275,000, and have spent upon it \$200,000 since that time. In return for that outlay bigger ore bodies than were ever before known, as well as new veins of good grade, which give an average assay value of \$60 in gold.

Christina Claims.

It is the opinion of those who have made a thorough examination of the formation on the west side of Christina lake, that there are some highly mineralized belts on the west side, and when it is taken into consideration that the lake is about eight miles long, with an average width of about a mile, the magnitude of the opportunities there for prospectors will be realized. Charles Wilkes and Pete Johnson expect to commence development work on the Fairy Ridge soon as the ice goes out of the lake. The Fairy Ridge is located on the west side of Christina lake, opposite Texas Point, and about one-quarter of a mile from the lake shore. It is a quartz proposition, the lead in places being covered over with a heavy iron cap. The lead is easily traced the entire length of the claim, and the croppings would seem to indicate that it will average from 5 to 7 feet in width on the surface. Average sample from the Fairy Ridge give returns varying from \$5 to \$10 in gold.

Sander creek, which empties into the lake at the north end, is known as more than twenty miles long, and already several promising quartz lodes have been discovered within three miles from where the creek empties into the lake. Along the west side of the lake there have been approximately fifty claims located, some of which have exceptionally good showings, considering the amount of work done. With \$400 worth of development done, seven feet of free milling ore has been exposed, giving an average assay of a little over \$20 in gold. The owners of the Lake group have also considered a promising group, as assay returns of \$37 in gold and copper being secured from a strong and well defined lode. A group of four claims on Treadmill creek, and on one of these has located a big body of free milling quartz that gives average surface assays of \$6 in gold.

J. P. Brooks has done several hundred dollars worth of work on the Lake Shore, and gets some nice copper ore. Cramer and Morrison own the Lake King and the Quartz float has been picked up at different places along the lake shore that assays away up into the hundreds, and no doubt there will eventually be some very rich strikes made up that way, and portable in the near future. Geo. A. Cameron, who owns the Black Tail and Highland claims, on Stewart creek, has been a very reticent about it. Cascade Road.

The Boundary Country.

The Old Ironides company has just placed on its property an additional sinking pump and an 80-hp power boiler. It is reported that the Pay Ore mine is to be extensively worked during the coming season. The prospects of this property are said to be exceptionally good. Work is being pushed on the Pathfinder mine, in the North Park district. A complete plant of machinery is to be installed on this property early next spring.

Owing to water coming into the shaft work on the Bank Hill England claim has been suspended. Some very good ore, carrying a high percentage of copper, has been taken out of this property. The latest report from the Pathfinder mine is that in the prospect started from the No. 1 drift, to cut through to the hanging wall, about 10 feet has been cut through, all sides of the drift being in solid ore.

A Mountain of Rich Ore.

The district of Southern Yale is full of surprises for the miner. No one has husbanded her mineral riches in a manner that laughs at every mining precedent and bewilders the mining expert. When it was known that a tunnel crossed the Knob Hill ledge for a distance of over four hundred feet mining men were incredulous. They are now being convinced that the big Knob Hill ledge is a certainty. A bigger surprise for the mining men is to be found in the Similkameen district. For months men interested in the district brought the most startling reports regarding the mineral wealth of Copper Mountain. Those reports were always discredited, but when an experienced and reliable mining engineer spends three months on the mountain, his report is worthy of serious consideration.

Mr. Wright, a mining engineer, well known in Kootenay, has returned from

the Similkameen country. He went in there last fall and has been working several claims on Copper Mountain. This mountain for a distance of two and a half miles back from the Similkameen river appears to be solid copper ore. Over five hundred claims have been located on this belt. Shafts have been sunk on over 150 claims. In every shaft there is found the same copper ore and no barren rock. These shafts are from 50 to 300 feet deep and are all in ore. There is no footwall nor hanging wall. It appears to be a mountain of solid ore. Across the Similkameen from Copper Mountain is Kennedy Mountain, where the locations are equally numerous and the ore body equally large. The Similkameen river has made an almost perpendicular cut 1,200 feet deep through an ore belt five miles in width. Many years ago ex-Governor Dewdney and Mr. Allison located a mineral claim on the Similkameen river at the foot of Copper Mountain. They ran a tunnel from where they got ore that ran \$100 in gold and 50 to 60 per cent. copper. The claim was crown-granted and has remained undeveloped for several years. The Similkameen at this point runs between almost perpendicular walls that rise for 1,200 feet so that it is no easy matter to take ore from a tunnel near the river side. The ore in the shafts on Copper Mountain, 1,200 feet above the river, is mostly mixed with streaks of chalcopyrite. It averages \$40 in gold and silver and 8 per cent. copper. The central claim and first location on Copper Mountain is the Sunset, owned by R. A. Brown, of Grand Forks. The Sunset is under bond to the British American Corporation, who intend working it in the spring.

Mr. Wright went over to Rossland, but will return to the Similkameen in the course of a week. It will be interesting to watch the development of claims on Copper Mountain. Boundary Creek Times.

Mining Around Nelson.

The Mollie Gibson company is employing some 17 men in development work upon its Kolumba creek property. The tunnel is now in fact, only such ore as is encountered in development is taken out. No attempt is being made at shipping, but there are 400 sacks of ore which have been run out of the mine and will be reworked. Before any regular shipments can be made the company will be obliged to construct a 10-mile wagon road to a point on the Outlet, 12 miles from Nelson. On the Jokers property, over the divide from the Mollie Gibson, the owners have sunk a shaft 70 feet. They report having a 2-foot body of ore all the way, which gives an average assay value of \$60 in gold.

Slocan Notes.

The Lake Shore, May, will soon ship to Trail. Work was resumed last week on the lakeview. A strong ledge is showing. Fifteen men are employed on the Washington, and six men at the Great Western. The Ruth company is about to take over the Aquatic, adjoining the Mascot, on the Ruth ledge. The Emily Edith is working and sucking ore for shipment. The new ore house is completed. The Antelope has been closed down, pending extensive operations.

Of all the big Four Mile properties the Emily Edith promises to lead in developing. A force of men are breaking a trail to the Two Friends mine, Springer creek, and the ore now on the dump will be reworked to Slocan City for shipment at the Central Trail smelter.

Six inches of clean ore is showing in the drift on the Noonday. N. J. Stewart, A. Stewart and J. M. M. Benedum lately commenced work on the property under a lease from the owners. The upper tunnel of the Housen is in 220 feet, and the lower 350 feet. A horse was struck in the lower tunnel and considerable difficulty was experienced in finding the ore chute again. It was thrown 20 feet off its regular course.

With the opening of spring the L. H. Mining Company, of Silverton, contemplates pushing work on its valuable gold property, on Red Mountain, on a more extensive scale than ever before. The management has great confidence in the property and will show to the world that the Slocan lake can produce as valuable gold mines as it has of silver and copper.

The Ruby Silver mine, adjoining the Noble Five group near Sandon, has been bonded to E. J. Merrin and F. Armstrong for \$20,000. The new owners will start a crew of men to work on the 200-foot tunnel which is to be driven on the property. The Ruby Silver is one of the oldest claims in the Slocan country, and over \$20,000 of high grade ore has already been shipped from the mine. —New Denver Ledger.

To all who find themselves with health gradually slipping away, Kidneys and Liver so disorganized that they are incapable of keeping the system free from poisonous waste material, Stomach Disorders, Bowel Constipation, Malaria, Aching Back, Aching Neck, Painful Urinary Tract, Headache, Liver Piles, the quick way they help you back to health will surprise you.

Burnett Walker, of Chicago, is said to be the only man who was born in the White House. He is a nephew of President Polk. His father was Polk's private secretary, and a member of the president's household.

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Those desiring free instruction in art should apply at The Canadian Art Union, Limited, 228 and 240 St. James Street, Montreal, Canada. The Art School is maintained in the Mechanics' Institute Building, Montreal, and is absolutely free. Monthly drawings, on the last day of each month, are held at the St. James street, office for the distribution of Works of Art.

NAPOLEON IN EVERGREEN.

The great Napoleon, done in evergreen is the unique statue that stands in the garden of M. d'Arville, in the suburbs of Paris. The statue is a perfect model of the "Little Corporal" in characteristic attitude, wearing a cocked hat and sword, and smoking a pipe. The statue is very lifelike. The greatest care is necessary in order to preserve the likeness, and every day the artist-gardener spends considerable time in clipping off dead leaves and cutting away the occasional branch. The signature of Napoleon is reproduced at the foot of the statue in colored plaques.

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Provincial News.

VANCOUVER.

The well known steamer Samolai was sold at auction on Saturday by Marshal McMillan of the Admiralty Court. She was sold to meet the judgment secured by her late master, Capt. Taylor, who has claims for about \$3,000. Five bids were received and she was knocked down to J. E. McCar for \$2,900. The Van Adair smelter is to be built on the site of the old one, and will have a capacity of 50 tons per day.

The Canadian Pacific railway has made final arrangements for Superintendent Marple to take over the section from Donahoe to Lagan on February 1st. The time bill to take effect at 24.01 o'clock on Wednesday on the mountain section (Revelstoke to Lagan) has just been issued. Trains will leave Lagan at 6.20 and will arrive at Revelstoke, 146 miles distant, at 10.35. Trains east will depart from Revelstoke at 8.25 and reach Lagan at 11.30.

Mr. W. G. Clendenen, general manager of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, has just returned to Fernie and states that 200 more coke ovens will be built as soon as possible. The whole of the fifty ovens already built are in full working order now.

The committee of management of the Board of School Trustees is enquiring into the feasibility of erecting a complete gymnasium apparatus for the public school children of Vancouver. Mr. W. Francis, late physical director of the New Westminster public schools, was approached on the subject and furnished Mr. J. Ramsay, the chairman, with a report in which he says a suitable building would need to be at least 40x50 feet, exclusive of dressing rooms, and at least 30 feet high in the centre. An up-to-date apparatus, suitable for such building, would have to be sent from the States. The cost of the apparatus would be about \$1,000 to \$1,200. Should the board not wish to go to such an expense for the first year, the gymnasium could be fitted up with home-made apparatus. The cost of buying and fitting up the apparatus should be under four hundred dollars. The salary of a properly qualified physical director would likely be \$600 for one year, bringing up the total extra cost for a gymnasium to about \$1,600. The hours for gymnastic instruction would be from 3 to 3.30 p.m. to 5 or 5.30 p.m., the first hour being devoted to the children of the High School, and the second hour to the children of the Central School.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Word was received on Sunday night by telegram from Cranbrook announcing the death of Mr. Charles E. Woods, an old resident of this city. Mr. Woods was a son of the late Vancouverian, and was engaged for some time on the engineering staff of the Canadian Pacific railway, on the Crow's Nest Pass extension. Much regret is felt at his death.

Mr. G. W. Grant has received instructions to amend the plan for the new market stables, so as to make them conform to the by-law. Ada, daughter of Mr. Nelson Carter, of Port Hammond, died on Friday morning after a few days' illness. The young lady was the eldest child, and held in high esteem in the neighborhood, and much sympathy is expressed for the bereaved parents in their sad loss.

NANAIMO.

At the last meeting of Nanaimo city council a communication from Dr. McKeehan stating that Mr. S. M. Robins, superintendent of the New Vancouver Coal and Coke Company, had offered \$25,000 for the building of an isolated hospital if the city would raise an equal sum, was presented. Ald. Cocking, McAdie, Planta and LeFevre were named as a committee to see what could be done in the matter.

The following members have been elected as officers of the Nanaimo Silversmiths' Association: President, J. D. Halverson; treasurer, T. Booker; secretary, E. C. Gibson. Mr. G. H. Cross, of the Nanaimo Review, has left for Mexico. Mr. Cross has been residing here for some time.

There was a large gathering in the hall of the farrow house given by Doris Leake, E. A. M. to R. W. Bro. F. McE. Young. The supper was laid at 10 o'clock. The dining room was nicely decorated for the occasion. The annual toast was drunk and responded to.

CRANBROOK.

A census of the town was taken last week but it is not yet revised. It is impossible to give the exact number of inhabitants, but it is between 600 and 650. A Liberal Association was formed here last week, with the following officers: President, E. Small; vice-president, Dr. J. A. King; secretary-treasurer, A. Moffat. It is reported that the Bank of Montreal will open a branch at Cranbrook soon.

ROSSLAND.

Ernest Kennedy is back from Ymir, where he has been the successful start of the Dundee's new mill. The new broom which the C. P. R. is building across Centre Star gulch in order to reach the Centre Star and the War Eagle mines with its new broad-gauge line is one of the highest in the province. It will be 126 feet high, and will require hundreds of thousands of feet of timber in its construction. A new surface gravity tramway is now being built to carry the ore from the War Eagle's new hoist to the line new underground construction to the Centre Star. The hoist will be in character similar to the one in use at the Le Roi, but will be more complete in its fittings. The cars will be of the capacity of five tons each, and the train is guaranteed to handle 600 tons in 10 hours. The new trestle and the tramway will be completed early in March, and the narrow-gauge track will be laid temporarily over the new grade in order to handle the War Eagle's ore.

The thesaurus and dictionary compiled by the late Dr. Johnson, and was, all things considered, a great success and many visitors came from neighboring towns. Spokane being particularly well represented. Revelstoke won the Hudson Bay curling trophy. Mr. F. W. Peters has been elected president of the Kootenay Curling Association. D. Jeddness, a Rossland mining man, won the championship ski-racing of Canada. Jeddness also won last year. Fred Wells won the 31 mile snow shoe championship.

GREENWOOD.

The 1,000 feet of hose, reel, hydrants and other fire apparatus ordered from the Giltia Percha & Rubber Company, Toronto, has reached Rossburg and will be here in a few days. An effort will be made to lay the pipe to Government street immediately. W. F. Tye, chief engineer for the C. P. R., was in the city for several days last week. He stated that they expected to have the road completed by the 1st of June next. The road would be finished before that time were it not for the fact that there are several bridges to be constructed in the vicinity of Arrow lakes.

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C. A. SEMLIN, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B.C., 13th December, 1898.

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